

# South Dakota

## PRICES RECEIVED

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### CATTLE PRICES UP FROM LAST MONTH

**SIOUX FALLS, January 31, 2000** -- Preliminary cattle prices for January were up from December, according to USDA's South Dakota Ag Statistics Service. Preliminary January crop prices are up for corn, soybeans, winter wheat, and oats while sunflowers and spring wheat are down.

The preliminary January all beef cattle price, at \$72.20, was up \$1.10 from last month and up \$7.70 from last year. Steers and heifers, at \$86.00, were up \$1.80 from December and \$15.20 above January of last year. Calves, at \$108.00, were up \$5.00 from last month and \$22.00 higher than last January.

The preliminary January all hog price, at \$38.90, was up \$1.40 from last month and up \$12.80 from last year. Barrows and gilts were \$12.20 higher than last year, while sows were up \$15.50.

The preliminary all wheat price for January, at \$2.66, was up 5 cents from last month but down 11 cents from last year. The winter wheat price, at \$2.31, was up 22 cents from last month but down 21 cents from last January. The spring wheat price, at \$2.79, was down 1 cent from last month and down 37 cents from last year. The January soybean price, at \$4.24, was up 16 cents from last month but down 63 cents from last year. The corn price, at \$1.64, was up 9 cents from last month and was unchanged from last year. The preliminary all sunflower price, at \$6.59, was down 66 cents from last month and down \$3.17 from last year.

The all hay price for January, at \$41.00 per ton, was down \$2.00 from December and \$12.00 below last year. The alfalfa price, at \$44.00 per ton, was down \$2.00 from last month and down \$16.00 from last year. The other hay price, at \$28.00, was up \$1.00 from last month but down \$7.00 from January 1999.

### PRICES RECEIVED BY SOUTH DAKOTA FARMERS

COMMODITY	UNIT	January 1999 1/	December 1999 1/	January 2000 2/
----- DOLLARS -----				
Corn	Bu.	1.64	1.55	1.64
Soybeans	Bu.	4.87	4.08	4.24
Sunflowers	Cwt.	9.76	7.25	6.59
Wheat, All	Bu.	2.77	2.61	2.66
Winter	Bu.	2.52	2.09	2.31
Other Spring	Bu.	3.16	2.80	2.79
Durum	Bu.	5/	5/	5/
Barley, All	Bu.	1.84	5/	5/
Feed	Bu.	1.35	5/	5/
Malt	Bu.	5/	5/	5/
Oats	Bu.	1.03	1.04	1.07
Flaxseed	Bu.	5/	5/	5/
Cattle, All Beef 3/	Cwt.	64.50	71.10	72.20
Cows	Cwt.	33.70	33.60	32.90
Steers & Heifers	Cwt.	70.80	84.20	86.00
Calves 4/	Cwt.	86.00	103.00	108.00
Hogs, All	Cwt.	26.10	37.50	38.90
Barrows & Gilts	Cwt.	27.70	38.90	39.90
Sows	Cwt.	15.40	26.40	30.90
Lambs	Cwt.	76.20	90.50	NA
Sheep	Cwt.	29.20	36.30	NA
Hay, All	Ton	53.00	43.00	41.00
Alfalfa	Ton	60.00	46.00	44.00
Other	Ton	35.00	27.00	28.00

1/ Entire month. 2/ Mid-month. 3/ Over 500 lbs. 4/ Under 500 lbs. 5/ Price not published to avoid disclosure of individual buyers. NA = Not Available.

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